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So many wisecracks have urged the advisability of prompt achievement, presented in the form of copy-book scripts and decorous mottoes, that at last the distasteful suggestion is beginning to stir a response.

And what can be done today is not being postponed till tomorrow in any phase of existence, where pleasure plays a part.

The old Puritanical adage is being more agreeably interpreted, especially by the younger generation, who are assiduously applying themselves to its translation.

A large percentage of others than the younger people also are beginning to discover that they are capable of effecting a nicer balance in their daily grind, and who consider it wiser to break up their toil by small diversions than to break down their bodies awaiting a larger one.

They find it recreating to occasionally play by the wayside, not only to steep themselves in personal pleasures, but to find time to dispense a little, if only a single ray of sunshine into other byways, where shadows are dense and where no sunlight dares to filter through. The smoothing out of those irritating trifles which ruffle the routine of each day, which are the most difficult of forbearance, is what really counts the most in the long run.

In former years, state robes were carefully laid away, to yellow with age, and eventually crumble to fragments of their original glory.

Wedding gowns were placed securely in sacred chests, to lose their gloss, and their last pathetic claim to fashion.

Droll portraits of sedate brides, or daguerreotypes of bridal couples, clasping hands and gazing fixedly into space, as though aware of their direful grotesqueness in the years to come, were saved in dark corners till they eventually faded from view.

Men hoarded their wealth in vaults, awaiting in grim anticipation, some golden day of realization when their dearest ambitions should be gratified, and who discovered, too late, that those of whom they had dreamed as sharing them, had passed away, and that strangely enough their keen taste for their life-long desires had lost its tang.

There are still many frugal, conservative, cautious persons who live their life in chronological order, and a system which is nerve-racking in its regularity.

But these people have never been to Carcassonne! They are spending their lives in making preparations for that voyage which never will be taken.

"I accept what is given me," says one ultra society woman of Honolulu, "in a pure and simple spirit of gratitude, and I would no more think of throwing away an allotted pleasure or happiness in this life than I would neglect a gift which by natural heritage was mine."

"I have two very sweet sources of pleasure, even in this city of deadly dull limitations."

"These are my friends and my flowers!"

"When it is rainy and the sky is gloomily overcast, those are the days I dwell among my flowers; grubbing in the delicious black velvety mould, watching with eager interest each new unfolding leaf and scented bud, blissfully unconscious of the gentle rain glistening like drops of silver on leaf and blade, unconscious of everything in the world as I learn the great lessons of the Infinite."

"And on sunny days I visit my intimate friends, to teach them the many wonderful lessons I have learned."

SOCIAL NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mrs. Frederick B. McStocker entertained at an informal tea, at her home on Lanailo street, in honor of Mrs. William H. Winters, who expects to leave in the transport Buford for San Francisco on August 4th.

The beautiful home was trimmed in pink and green, many tall brass jars or tabourets and pedestals being filled with mauve and lavender asters and lace maidenhair fern.

Mrs. McStocker's home is one of the most beautiful in the city, the richly appointed interior of handsome teak divans and tall backed settees, lending itself admirably to delicate tones.

The ladies gathered on the tropical lanai which is always a bower of palms and maidenhair, and as each had brought her fine needle-work, the afternoon was delightfully and informally spent in sociability.

At five dainty refreshments of salad, sandwiches, chocolate, ice cream and bonbons were passed by Japanese maids.

Among those present were Mrs. William H. Winters, Mrs. Wendell C. Neville, Mrs. Arthur Marx, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Joseph E. Sheedy, Mrs. Magoon and Mrs. F. B. McStocker.

Miss Marjorie Gilman has sent out cards for a dancing party, at which she will entertain at her home in Old Waikiki next Saturday evening.

Great sympathy is being expressed for Major and Mrs. Edward J. Timberlake of Port Rager, whose little four year old son Coleman fell on Wednesday evening, dislocating his arm.

Although suffering a great deal, the hours have been made more sunny for the little chap owing to the kindness

of friends who have been sending many lovely flowers and amusing playthings.

Major and Mrs. Timberlake have been obliged on account of this distressing accident to cancel off all their numerous engagements for this week and the next.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Turner of Fort Ruger entertained four tables of bridge at the Hotel Colonial last evening.

The card tables were arranged on the lanai which was handsomely decorated with palms, hanging baskets and quantities of Golden Shower and White Marguerites.

These attractive blossoms were heaped in bronze jars and rose bowls and were everywhere in evidence.

The first prize (an attractive sofa cushion), was awarded to Mrs. Chapman, and the second prize a bridge score was presented to Mrs. Baird.

Later, lace cloths were laid on the card tables and a delicious supper of sandwiches, salads, coffee, cake and ices were served.

Those present were Major and Mrs. Wendell C. Neville, Captain and Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Widdifield, Captain and Mrs. Wilbur, Captain and Mrs. Arthur Marx, Captain and Mrs. Clifton C. Carter, Mrs. Baird of Hilo, Lieutenant Andrews, Lieutenant McCleary and Lieutenant and Mrs. Turner.

Miss Fanny Hoogs and Master William Hoogs are entertaining at a house party at their beach home at Kaula this evening.

Among those who will attend are the Misses Laura Atherton, Juliette Atherton, Ethel McKenzie, Ruth McCheaney, Martha McCheaney, Bell McCheaney, Donald Ross, Charles

OVER THE TEACUPS.

By Lady Gay.

McWayne, Ted Cooke, Dick Catton, Dave Larsen and Judge Lyman.

Mrs. C. S. Holloway entertained at a very charming luncheon at the Hotel Colonial yesterday, in honor of Miss Sherman, who passed through from the orient in the Chiyo Maru yesterday.

Covers were arranged for eight on a circular table on the lanai of the hotel.

The trimming of the table was evolved from quantities of Golden Shower clusters, which fell from a basket in the center caught by a huge crush bowl of golden tulips.

The menu boasted many delectable Hawaiian delicacies which were a delight and novelty to Miss Sherman and her friends from the steamer.

Among those present were Miss Sherman, Mrs. William Wilder, Mrs. F. W. Kiehn and Mrs. C. S. Holloway.

Mrs. J. G. Pratt entertained at a charming luncheon at the Oahu Country Club this afternoon in honor of Miss Kiler and Miss Negley of Seattle and Miss Coates of Cheyenne, who are at present visiting the islands.

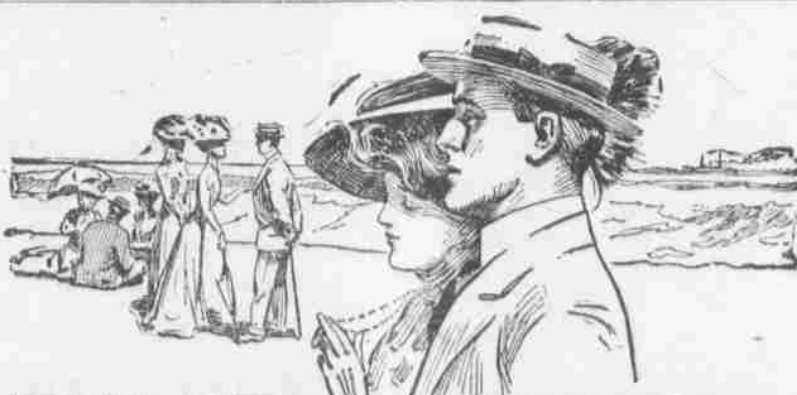
The luncheon table was trimmed in green and gold, a rock crystal bowl being filled with double coreopsis and maidenhair fern, blossoms and sprigs of fern being strewn over the cloth.

The place cards were tinted views of the Country club.

Those present were Miss Kiler, Miss Negley, Miss Coates, Miss Jeanette Gault, Mrs. R. W. Breckons, Mrs. Towse, Mrs. Hobson and Mrs. J. G. Gault.

Mrs. Carl Widemann is entertaining at a pol luncheon at her home at Waikiki in honor of Mrs. J. M. Dowsett, who has recently returned from a tour abroad.

Mrs. George R. Carter entertained at a handsome luncheon at her home on Judd street in honor of Miss Blanche Dwinell of San Francisco.



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The house guest of Mrs. James Judd. The drawing rooms were dressed in tones of green and gold, a profusion of coreopsis and palms being very effective.

The dining room was trimmed in quantities of pink lilies, the sideboard and buffet being decorated with these stately blooms.

On the center of the luncheon table on a lace cloth rose a tall silver vase filled with tall pink lilies, blossoms, clipped from the stem, being here and there over the cloth.

The place cards were small pink booklets tied with pink satin and filled with pink baby roses. Those present at this charming luncheon were Miss Blanche Dwinell, Mrs. James Judd, Miss Helen Achilles, Mrs. Gerrit P. Wilder, Mrs. James Wilder, Mrs. Edward Holmes, Miss Marion Scott, Miss Catherine Goodale, Mrs. George Potter, Miss Edith Cowles, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. George R. Carter.

Mrs. Felmy, wife of Pastor Felmy of the Lutheran church, has issued cards for a tea at which she will entertain at the Colonial Hotel on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. E. Stevens has issued cards to a tea at which she will entertain on Friday afternoon next.

Wilfred Harrison, son of Fred Harrison, returned on the Makura for vacation. He is attending high school in Victoria.

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Royal Hawaiian Garage.

The week just closed at the Royal Hawaiian garage has been a busy one, reports Manager George Wells. He has lately added to his mechanical staff, and is now rapidly overtaking the accumulation of work that he has had to contend with. Now, however, more expedition will be possible, and he will be able to cope with everything that comes his way.

He is looking forward to the ar-

rival of the P. M. S. Siberia, as he thinks that that vessel will bring some more cars for him. Just now the matter of competing for an auto fire truck is engaging his attention. The Knox, he thinks, is a machine that should snort the fire department should it decide upon this method of locomotion. He says that his claims can be fully supported by a reputation made in the eastern states amid the greatest competition.

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